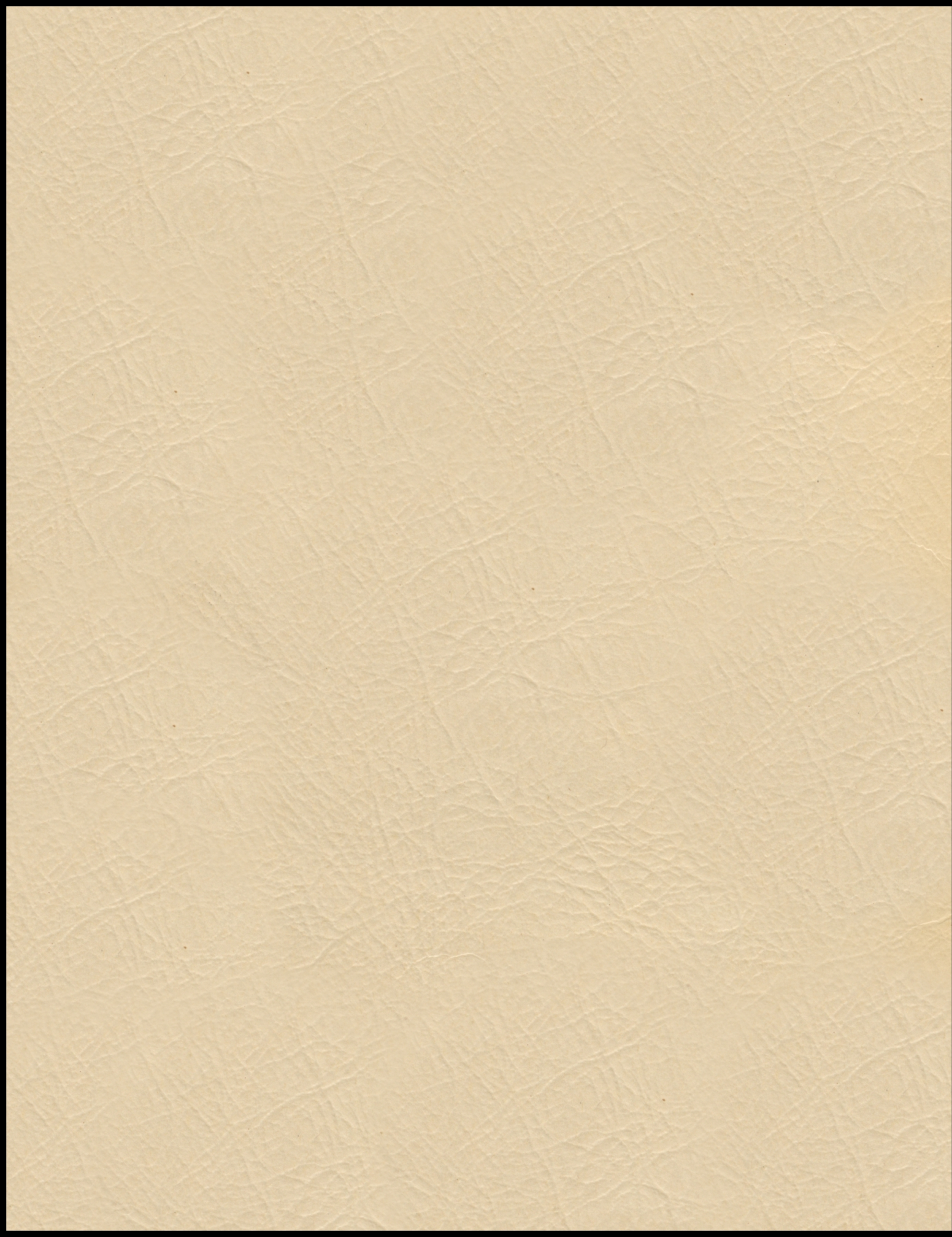


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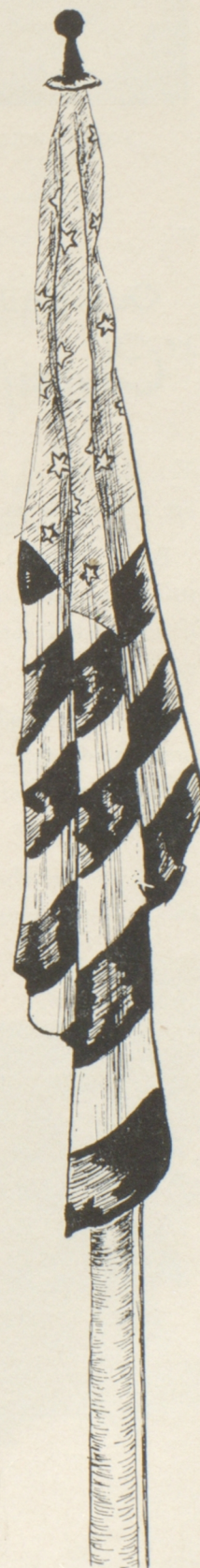


## *The Flag's Message*

"It speaks not of ignoble pride, sordid greed, or tyrannical power. To us it is the emblem of America's best—of Pilgrim aspirations, and Revolutionary courage, of the Founding Fathers' wisdom and pioneer sacrifices, of emancipation for the slaves and refuge for the oppressed.

"It tells of home and opportunity, freedom to worship and to speak. It lifts our eyes to wider horizons where America looms anew as the champion of liberty and justice.

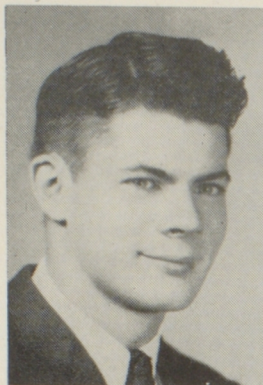
"The flag is the face of our best, our truest nationhood, a reminder of our Nation's need to seek God's guidance and express His goodness."



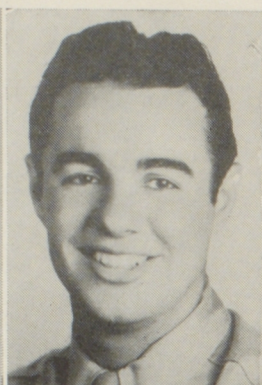
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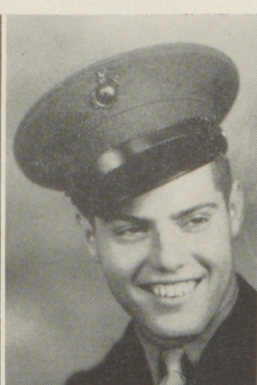
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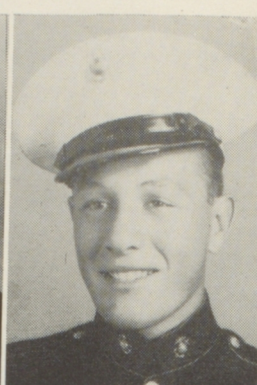
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CHARLES CARTMILL  
Navy  
Seaman 2/c  
Overseas



HAROLD JOHNSON  
Marines  
Private 1/c  
United States



ELMO LEWIS  
Marines  
Private  
Overseas

## Our Buddies of the Class of '44 "Champions of Freedom and Justice"

Yes, Buddies of the Class of January '44, the days are long since you went away.

But we haven't forgotten you . . . we consider you still a member of our group, remembering always that if you hadn't entered the services, we wouldn't be missing you now in our commencement festivities.

We understand that you, too, would like to be home graduating with us had you not made what "The Flag's Message" calls a "pioneer sacrifice" to help win the war.

We are grateful to you, and proud of the noble jobs you are doing.

As hard as we tried, we couldn't be sure of contacting all former members of the January '44 group of Lincoln High. But to you fellows not pictured here, we pay the same fond tribute.

We miss you. We want you to know that we do. And every graduate-elect is looking forward to the day when you come marching home to live—for always we hope—in a world of peace.

Greetings to you—and all out thanks, Buddies of the Class of January '44.



BOB JEFFRIES  
Navy  
Seaman 1/c  
Overseas



JACK COOK  
Navy  
Seaman 1/c  
Overseas



ROGER TOVREA  
Navy  
Seaman 1/c  
Overseas



BOB QUIGLEY  
Navy  
Seaman 2/c  
Overseas



CLARENCE MICKESH  
Navy  
Seaman 2/c  
Overseas



ELWAYNE  
BRICKMAN  
Army  
Private  
United States



# So That America Might Loom Anew

So that the flag might lift the eyes of the living to wider horizons, ten former Lincoln High boys have given their last full measure of devotion.

Gold stars tell the story of supreme sacrifices made by:

EUGENE MURRAY.....	killed in action
FLOYD NEFF.....	natural causes
JOE WELCH.....	training plane crash
ROBERT HAMMER.....	marine corps casualty
GLENN MITCHELL.....	marine corps casualty
TOM MARNETTE.....	killed in action
CHARLES LETTOW.....	killed in action
HUGH GLASSBURN.....	plane crash U.S.A.
TIMOTHY CASADY.....	plane crash at sea
GILBERT HOOT.....	killed in action

May we "from these honored dead take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave their last full measure of devotion . . ."

These words of the immortal Abraham Lincoln, beloved patron of every Lincoln student, lie very close to our hearts right now. They express with simple art exactly what we feel.

Never before in the history of the world has the majority owed so much to the minority. For this reason, we must strive intelligently to make an enduring peace.

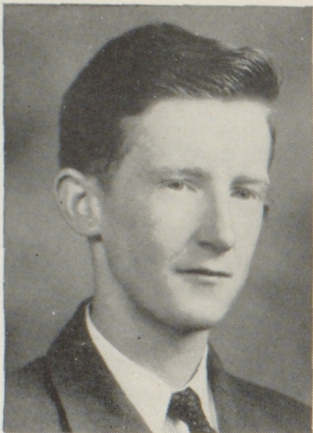
Let us highly resolve that on that day when the victory bells ring out and America looms anew as the champion of liberty and justice, that these dead of Abraham Lincoln High School shall not have died in vain!



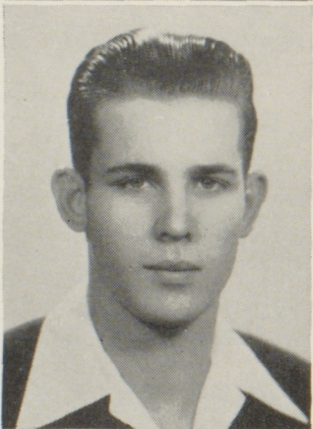


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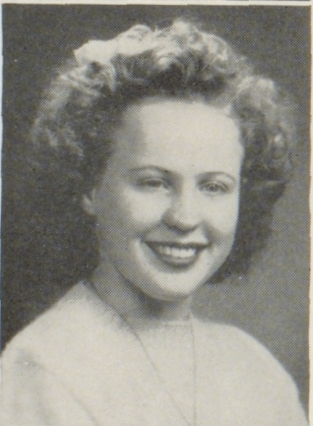
## Pioneers of 1938 To Graduate



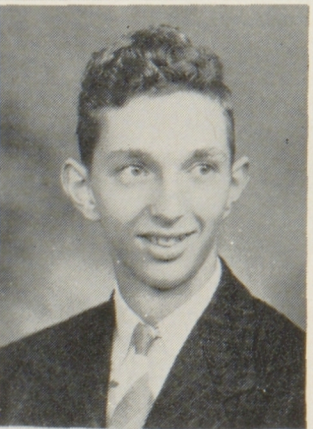
GAIL DAVOLT  
*President*



RUDY SIMON  
*Vice-President*



VELMA KNOUF  
*Secretary*



EDDIE ANDERSON  
*Treasurer*

January 29, 1938 was no ordinary date for those students to whom day after tomorrow, January 27, 1944, will bring graduation.

On that January six years ago, the present graduates-elect entered Lincoln.

No one paid much attention to them except to remark occasionally in a half-indulgent, half-amused way, "There's one of those little 7B's."

Many of those "little 7B's" are now on the fighting front, and the original merry rank of 137 has now dwindled to a mere 51, making it one of Lincoln's smallest graduating classes.

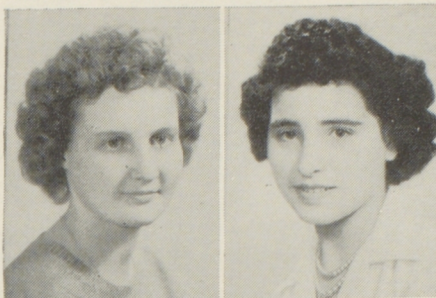
The senior class lost—for Uncle Sam's gain—16 boys to the armed forces. Many others have quit school to work. Of the 51 graduates, 33 are girls and 18 boys.

Even with this acute man minority, three of the four senior offices were filled by boys. Presidency went to Gail Davolt nicknamed "Pinky" because of his red hair. Rudy Simon immediately became his right hand man by his election as vice-president.

Velma (Sis) Knouf, 1943's queen of homecoming, was class choice for keeper of the records. Eddie Anderson, following the footsteps of his brother Harold, treasurer of the class of June '42, took over the same office for the present graduation class.

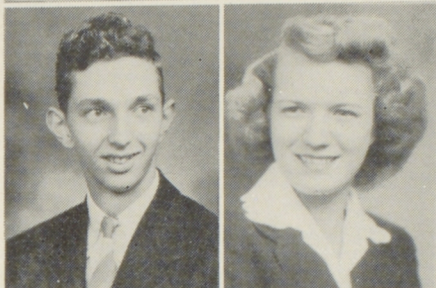


**Laura Allsup** . . . quiet . . . dainty . . . and shy . . . but hooked her man in a determined manner . . . another possessor of a love stone . . . Sonja Henieing about in the winter is her pastime . . . aspires to be a beautician . . . keeps mum about those blushes . . . life's biggest moment is Glen . . . thinks little brother Bob is tops, too . . . "Cork" . . .



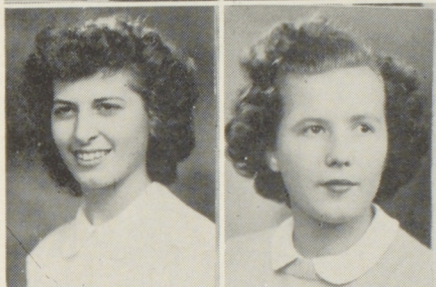
**Lucille Amedeo** . . . possessor of raven tresses . . . plus a petite figure . . . favors Larry Maloney . . . and writing letters . . . was ambitious to be a secretary . . . but ended up, a grocery clerk . . . is thrilled to be graduating a semester early . . . first date also holds pleasant memories . . . has not had one embarrassment to plague her conscience . . . just call for "Lucie" . . .

**Edwin Anderson** . . . treasurer of senior grads . . . "Flip" likes to bowl . . . frequently strikes . . . the floor . . . also ping pong enthusiast . . . herds a fugitive from a junk pile around . . . wants to see the world through a port hole . . . tall, slender . . . makes up the other third of the Davolt, Weissenberger bumming trio . . . would like to build ships for Kaiser . . .



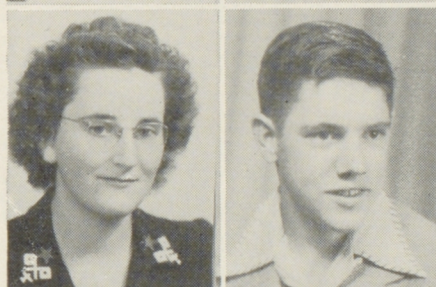
**Mary Lou Anderson** . . . slender . . . tender . . . and tall . . . dresses with distinction . . . artist supreme of the senior class . . . doubled on make-up for the regular Rail . . . most distressed to find herself sitting in the middle of the Tromar dance floor . . . had Eunice to keep her company though . . . "Lulu" is going to raise a football team . . . plus four girl cheerleaders . . . Sub Deb treasurer . . .

**Carmen Berard** . . . small . . . slim . . . imp of the 12A class . . . was inspired by her get-together costume . . . wants to own an entire wardrobe just like it . . . claims she picked up her entire formal education in the principal's office . . . waiting to be punished . . . feature editor of the regular Rail . . . raked in the shekels for the Senior Rail . . . erstwhile secretary of the Sub Debs . . .



**Doris Bloomquist** . . . twinkling . . . brown eyes . . . teacher's pest . . . helps Mary Ann think up those dreadful pranks . . . surprised to find herself editor of the year book . . . was the Rail's first feminine sports editor . . . shocked when the doctor at Ahquabi asked her what she had been drinking . . . the doctor was shocked when Doris answered, "Sun tan lotion" . . . "Stink" . . . "Stinky" . . . "Dode" . . . another Sub Deb . . .

**Hazel Irene Butler** . . . is so quiet we don't realize sometimes she's around . . . can never forget preparing to salute her superior officer . . . only to be knocked down by a door coming out of nowhere . . . kept a secret code in grade school . . . wrote notes to her girl friends . . . and nobody else could read them . . . wants to be a private secretary to a good looking boss . . . "Hayes" . . .



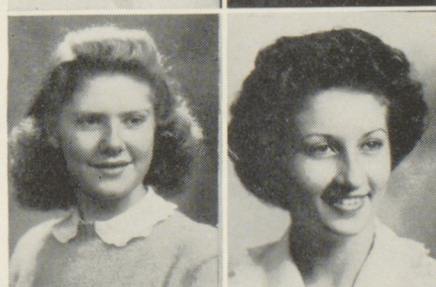
**Donald Leroy Cahal** . . . "Twirp" . . . claims the extent of his knowledge is the ability to count to ten . . . swimmer . . . when asked to state his ambition merely replied, "To have nine wives" . . . hasn't any prospects in mind when he says his biggest thrill is yet to come . . . short blonde . . . and ornery . . . Mr. Tomlinson rates him as 1-A . . . chief pest . . .

**Theresa Marie Caliguiri** . . . possesses shining tresses . . . appears to be quiet but we know her better . . . loves baseball . . . claims to have been a perfect angel in grade school . . . liar . . . known to her friends as "Tree" . . . chums with Isabelle . . . seems to be one of our habitual gum chewers . . . any brand . . .



**Charles Cartmill** . . . a master at the art of eating and sleeping . . . now eating and sleeping with the Navy . . . ambitious fellow . . . would like to go to sleep in a cabin in the woods and sleep indefinitely . . . was more scared than embarrassed when he thought somebody caught him fishing illegally in the Coon River . . . turned out to be his scout master . . . will never forget the spanking he got in grade school for doing something??? while the teacher was out of the room . . . "Cart" is one good guy . . .

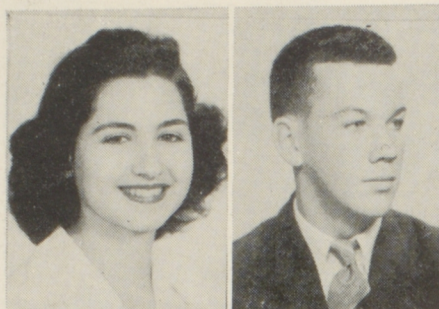
**Chloris Cherry** . . . blonde . . . tall . . . seems dignified . . . but loves midnight boating . . . Stan . . . so-o-o thrilled to receive her sparkler . . . won't divulge why . . . Lake Ahquabi proved most embarrassing . . . once told teacher school was on fire . . . and found she was too mistaken . . . ad manager of regular Rail . . . make-up editor of the year book . . . pals with Beth . . .



**Mary Jacqueline Clark** . . . the typical high school girl . . . looks . . . clothes . . . and personality . . . has a devilish grin . . . and eyes that sparkle . . . army cadet nurse is her goal . . . received a spanking in fifth grade for grabbing boys' hats . . . bowling and writing Bowler occupy her spare time . . . waiting impatiently to meet a certain sailor for the first time . . . known to all as Jackie . . . was co-editor of the regular Rail . . . feature editor of the Senior Rail . . . a Sub Deb . . .



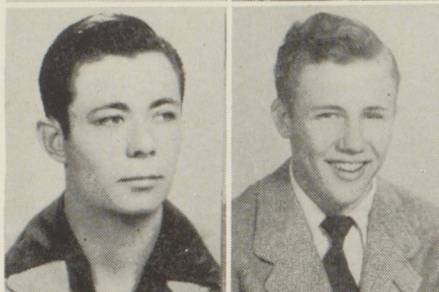
**Mary Colacino** . . . has locks of the most beautiful color . . . has a lovely personality too . . . thinks that graduating is enough thrill to hold her in check for some time . . . can't forget her embarrassing moment but neither can she tell it . . . is an all-around girl . . . likes to read . . . dance . . . and write letters . . .



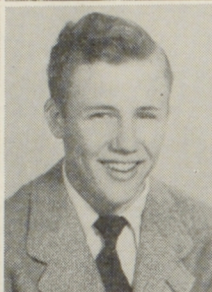
**Robert S. Comiskey** . . . hopes to find his woman in about ten years . . . wearing maroon and gold gridiron suit was found to be his biggest thrill . . . wants to be a sports' writer . . . was sports' editor on the regular Rail . . . lettered in tennis . . . football . . . also a good basketball player . . . hard to understand . . . but easy to get along with . . .



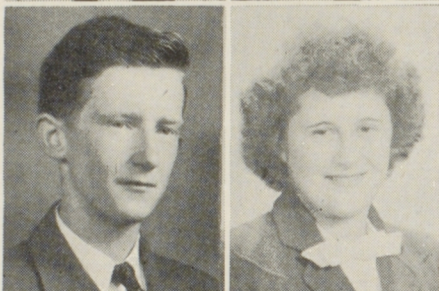
**Eugene Coy** . . . co-captain of the football team . . . rough and ready basketball player . . . monickers include "Jay" . . . "Comache" . . . "Gene" . . . or even "Homer Growler" . . . was shy and bashful in grade school . . . but look at him now . . . has a sensible ambition . . . to be happy . . . when he can't find time for sports, he makes the women happy . . .



**James Harold Cross** . . . curly hair . . . blue eyes . . . and personality plus . . . reminds us of Henry Aldrich . . . "J.C." indulges in various pastimes . . . eating . . . photography . . . and WOMEN . . . a regular thespian . . . has been in every play since he hit Lincoln . . . has too many embarrassing moments to list them all . . . we can believe that . . . was columnist on the regular Rail . . . co-feature editor of the year book . . . known to all as Jimmy . . .



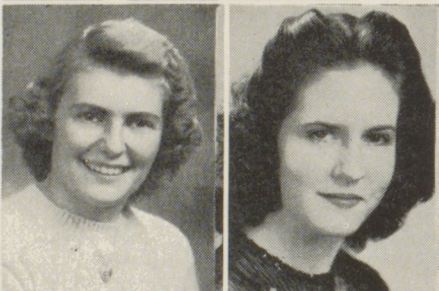
**Edward Gail Davolt** . . . got taken to office for playing Texas Rangers in grade school . . . presides as president of the senior class . . . mathematical mind . . . actually claims Bill and "Flip" as pals . . . "Pinky" possesses no special heart throb . . . therefore he is looking for his biggest thrill . . . feels ashamed when asked about sneaking out of Park Avenue school when he was supposed to be making up time . . . one good guy . . .



**Isa Belle DeAppolonia** . . . quite petite . . . seems awfully quiet . . . another possessor of a warm smile . . . can't list all of the embarrassments she has suffered . . . her thrill is in the Marines . . . "Izzie" is leaving for California . . . as soon as she graduates . . .



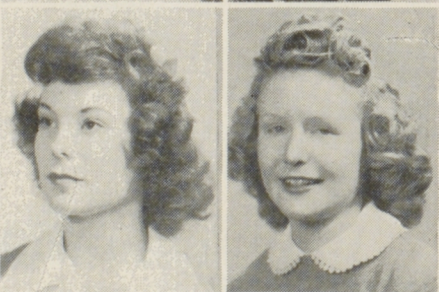
**Jean Furrow** . . . Her ambish is to attend college . . . then to travel the world over . . . another sub deb . . . "Furlough" reads lots and lots . . . Lake Ahquabi constitutes her biggest embarrassment . . . was the unhappy recipient of a free hair cut . . . has quite a vocabulary . . . uses pedantic synonyms . . . quite the gal . . . would do any thing for a friend . . .



**Beth Gemmill** . . . "Liz" . . . seems to be dominated by the little red man with horns . . . "Cork's" side kick . . . wants to be a woman in white . . . once got ornery . . . and was promptly locked in the closet by Doris and Mary Ann . . . her mother found her thus after their departure . . . still blushes when she thinks of the street car ride that she took in her get-together costume . . . co-advertising manager of the regular Rail . . . got the same position on the Senior Rail . . . another Sub-Deb . . .



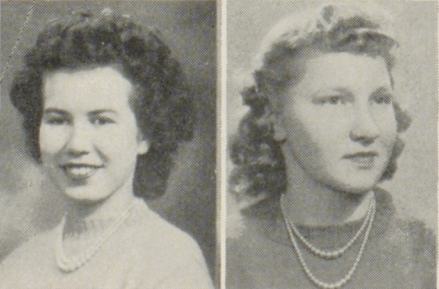
**Wanda Gillaspy** . . . everybody knows "Daisy" . . . she's the girl with the cute giggle . . . thinks Johnny is simply super . . . graduation is a thrill too . . . her sole ambition is to get through 12A . . . how about the candy counter . . . Wanda? . . . has ganged with the twins since the beginning of time . . . has a little sister that could pass for Wanda . . .



**Patsy Ruth Green** . . . has gone with Bill since way back . . . a friend to everyone . . . beautiful blue eyes . . . the song "Saving Myself For Bill" suits her fine . . . embarrassing moments were Tooooo . . . embarrassing to relate . . . to become Mrs. Bill Wallace is her future . . . Pat has an original pepsodent smile . . . lockers with "June Bug" . . .



**Patty Ann Guye** . . . sparkling white teeth . . . lovely smile . . . always seen with June . . . riding the second largest roller coaster in the U. S. and a date with Rudy Simon both gave her a thrill . . . was such a naughty girl in grade school that they almost expelled her . . . embarrassing moments . . . won't tell on herself . . . attends pre-first . . . "Pat" . . . "Buddie" . . . wants to be a long distance operator . . .

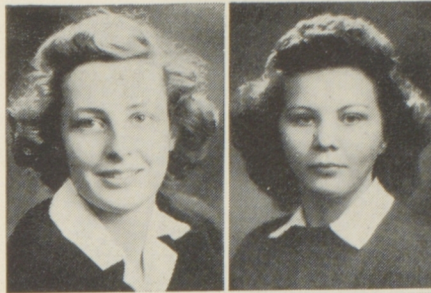


**June Arlene Hallonquist** . . . attends student council regularly . . . blonde hair . . . likes to cuddle up in a big chair with a good book . . . works in a downtown store . . . can usually be seen with Patty . . . held down position of home room secretary for two years . . . tagged "June bug" . . . "Blondie" thinks Miss Heaps and Miss Sutter are super . . . awfully nice to know . . .

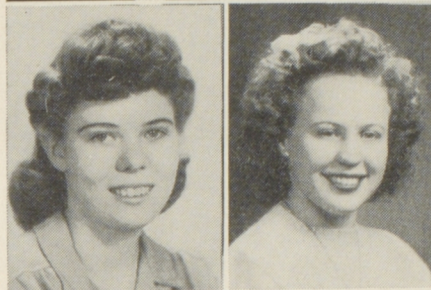




**Patricia Darlene Harmon** . . . enthusiastic midnite boater . . . another engaged gal . . . blushes when she thinks of the time her unmentionables fell off . . . in front of Penney's, too . . . Robert William is her hobby . . . Sub Deb president . . . co-editor of the regular Rail . . . pals with Mary Lou . . . lives for July 23 . . . then she must learn to cook . . .



**Peggy Knotts** . . . smile of beauty . . . another short stuff . . . pals with "Lou-Lou" . . . but spends most of her time with Ray . . . wants to be a telephone operator . . . then hitch Ray . . . says she's the better half of the gruesome twosome . . . the brains . . . a member of Abe's glee club and chorus . . . will never forget the night she received her diamond . . . what a thrill . . . "Peg leg" . . .



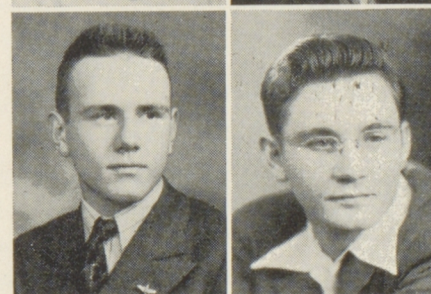
**Darlene Alice McMurray** . . . once wore the three initials of her name on her hat . . . tall, slim, and very pretty . . . spends most of her time writing to Art in the air corps . . . looked awfully cute in her get-together costume . . . embarrassing moment concerns a trip to the ledges . . . Art . . . and falling through a picnic table . . . has a date with Art in June to receive the other half of her ring set . . . Dar . . . one grand girl . . .



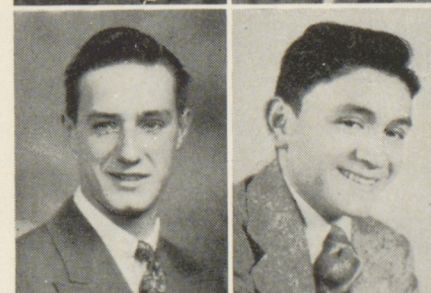
**Jean Morris** . . . a classy gal . . . has locks of a gorgeous hue . . . another midnight boater . . . yearns to be a nurse in the Army cadet nurse corps . . . she should know . . . has slaved on the nurse's staff for years . . . possessor of a monogram . . . didn't earn it taking showers . . . either . . . another sub deb . . . "Blondie" . . .



**Gene Edward Pearson** . . . army air corps man . . . spends spare moments building model airplanes . . . quiet . . . conservative . . . but progressive . . . to make good in the air corps is his goal . . . finds no embarrassing moments among memories of his school life . . . thrills come frequently . . . says he . . . but the biggest one was passing his air corps test . . .



**Richard Proper** . . . Dick yearns to win his wings in the army air corps . . . leaves after graduation to make his dream come true . . . it really was a thrill to win a medal in the city golf meet . . . building model airplanes occupies his spare time . . . this monogram possessor is a nice guy to know . . .



**Margaret Eloise Johnson** . . . embarrassing moments . . . too numerous to mention . . . doesn't say much . . . but thinks plenty . . . still blushes when she thinks of the tennis shoe spanking she received in grade school . . . for chasing boys . . . "Marge" has stopped chasin' men now . . . cause her heart belongs to "Rich" . . . pals with Dolores . . . wants to be a stenographer . . .

**Velma Arlene Knouf** . . . very pretty blonde . . . typical co-ed . . . we think she's tops . . . made a beautiful homecoming queen . . . has been known as "Sis" for umpteen years . . . logical choice for class secretary . . . Sub Deb member . . . blushes every time anyone mentions a certain midnight boat ride at Ahquabi . . . likes to bowl . . . frequently missed pre-first . . . very popular with the girls and the opposite sex . . .

**Lillah Jeanette Moore** . . . short . . . dark . . . and cute . . . loves to watch the Rails play . . . has never missed a game . . . biggest thrill was seeing Lincoln score on East in the '43 game . . . one of the nightingales in Abe's chorus . . . "Jeanie" wants to live a long life with a short man . . .

**Bert Payne** . . . Bert lives to be another gob . . . wants to join the navy after graduation . . . went out for basketball . . . likes football too . . . thinks it's absolutely miraculous to have gotten through English . . . failed in grade school cause he cheated in spelling . . . "Red" . . .

**Jack Laurence Pedersen** . . . admits taking a swing at a man in the dark . . . only to discover it was a calf . . . still scared . . . a large sign marked "private" hangs above his thrill room door . . . remembers time in grade school when he received the height of all punishment . . . a spanking in front of the entire class . . . "Pete" is working toward his goal of becoming a Marine . . . and marrying a certain feminine classmate . . .

**Richard W. Reyes** . . . "Rich" . . . a Marine now . . . has girl friend called Joanne . . . good golfer . . . full of bright ideas . . . a snappy character . . . awfully witty . . . thrilled when his program of records was given in front of entire school . . . has few embarrassing moments . . . proud of five brothers in service . . . last in family to leave . . . a real guy . . . possesses a beautiful whistle not for females either . . .



**Flora Lea Rogers** . . . a lovely . . . dark eyed girl . . . looks luscious in dark colors . . . seems quiet . . . but got her mouth taped shut in third grade for talking . . . can't forget dropping a tray full of food in the middle of the student union floor at Ames . . . another bowler . . . "Lea" yearns to travel . . .



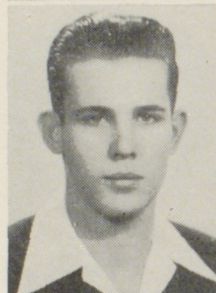
**Angeline Serra** . . . Minnie's sister and chum . . . loves sports . . . another smooth dancer . . . has as yet had no thrills or embarrassing moment . . . but can't forget the day she had to stay in for the talking a "mean widdle boy did" . . . has the same dreams as her sister . . . plus yearning to travel to San Diego to see the Marines . . . "Angie" . . .

**Minnie Serra** . . . another small dark haired girl . . . with laughter in her eyes . . . was mad cause teacher slapped her face . . . for something she didn't do, too . . . is thrilled at the prospect of graduating . . . has a burning desire to be a stenographer . . . will settle for a sales' job . . . is an avid sportsman . . . loves to dance . . . considers this the best way to spend her time . . . embarrassment yet to come . . . "Minnie Sarah" . . .



**Audrey Faye Silcott** . . . the girl with the turned up nose . . . seems so quiet and sweet . . . but oh!! . . . how she shocks her elders . . . can't wait to go to California . . . and to get a record player . . . nobody can forget the time that "Sillycott" whistled at a fellow employee . . . male of course . . . and was overheard by the boss . . . who agreed with her . . . another Sub Deb . . . learned her lesson in grade school . . . hasn't chased men since . . . "Little Audrey" . . .

**Rudy Fred Simon** . . . vice-president of the senior class . . . is much more handsome with a "Butch" . . . divides his time among basketball . . . football . . . and messing with a Ford . . . looks forward to becoming a sailor . . . was thrilled when he started his first basketball game . . . one of the gang . . . gives every girl a chance . . . by not going with anyone in particular . . . "Sparky" . . . "Rude" . . .



**William Albert Sopher** . . . would like to be a mechanic in either army or navy air force . . . pipe collecting heads his hobby list . . . also tinkers with autos . . . was thrilled at kicking extra point to give Lincoln a 7-6 win over East high in 1942 . . . Betty possesses the key to Willie's heart . . . doesn't publicize embarrassing moments . . .

**DoLores Evelyn Stanley** . . . Dee Dee . . . sews her own clothes . . . very good at it . . . likes to hunt . . . but won't tell what . . . circulation manager on the regular Rail . . . ambition is to marry a certain sailor and be a successful wife . . . organization manager on the senior Rail . . . favorite pastime is corresponding with Jimmy . . . displays a cute crop of freckles across her proboscis . . .



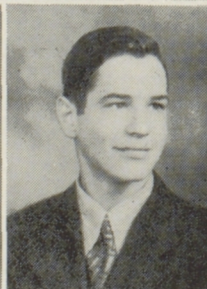
**Dolores Stevens** . . . possesses a warm smile that spells friendship . . . is proud of her collection of vases . . . has suffered too many embarrassments to name them all . . . a newer member of our class . . . but a welcome friend . . . "Polly" . . .

**Eunice Tate** . . . "Spuds" . . . dances so divinely . . . is simply wild about Tommy . . . looks forward to the day when she will be a secretary at the post office . . . exchange editor of the regular Rail . . . bowls a wicked game of 149 . . . can't forget her grade school romance . . . chums with Jean . . . likes everyone . . . everyone likes her . . .



**Mary Ann Thomas** . . . small . . . dark and mischievous seems quiet . . . but not to her friends . . . secretary of student council . . . a whiz of a typist . . . also vice-president of the Sub Debs . . . remembers well Lake Ah-quabi . . . and those mid-night boat rides . . . biggest thrill is yet to come . . . so embarrassed when some personal notes fell into the wrong hands . . . teachers' too . . . "Tom" . . .

**Marvin Van Ginkel** . . . blonde . . . quiet . . . and so handsome . . . cans a beat up V-8 . . . is usually seen with Bill or "Flip" . . . plans to see the world . . . in a sailor suit . . . sets many a femme's heart a-flutter . . . co-captain of the track team . . . states his biggest thrill is graduation . . . Marv . . .



**William Waddell** . . . very quiet . . . very cute . . . very small . . . but very, very nice . . . a little girl in grade school stepped on Billy's lunch pail . . . Billy stepped right back on hers . . . meanie . . . has the cutest grin . . . wants to be a soldier in Uncle Sam's army after graduation . . . will make a swell one . . .



**William Weissenberger** . . . known professionally as Billy Wells . . . but to the gang he's Weissie . . . to lead a name band is his ambition . . . has played with Horace Heidt . . . always has a fancy comeback . . . once dated up his girl's mother via the Ameche . . . was so embarrassed . . . owns own car . . . was Cork's dream man in grade school . . .



**Vivian Wilson** . . . beautiful . . . dark eyed damsel . . . with plenty of zip and go . . . home coming attendant . . . came to us from East high . . . "Lupe" longs to have lots of fun out of life . . . and she will . . . keeps the service men supplied with letters . . . giggles about time . . . she pulled a chair out from under grade school flame . . . then repented at leisure . . .

**Douglas Wroe** . . . hates to be called Dougkins . . . army brat . . . Dad's a major but Doug prefers the navy . . . will leave soon after graduation . . . came to Lincoln from Fort Knox, Kentucky . . . is very much in love with "Jinny" . . . in fact gave her a ring . . . Doubt . . . never quite makes it to home room on time . . . a swell guy to know . . .



## Teacher Traffic Keeps Moving

Teachers come and go at Lincoln, and twice yearly The Senior Railsplitter records these migrations for all posterity to note and long remember.

Four new teachers have come to Lincoln this semester.

Mrs. Nell Smith, formerly of Kentucky, has taken over 8th grade arithmetic. A favorite of her students, she makes math interesting with the introduction of such intriguing things as a "swan pan" which is the Chinese name for an oriental adding machine. Prior to her advent at Lincoln, Mrs. Smith taught at Callanan junior high school.

Mr. J. Nelson Sorem, who coaches with a super technique, formerly taught physical education at Washington Irving junior high. He is a graduate of the University of Kansas and is the proud possessor of three varsity letters in football. For recreation, he likes to read mystery stories or indulge in a cross country hike.

Mrs. Marie Capper teaches afternoon classes in the commercial department while her mornings are occupied at West where she is also a commercial instructor. Mrs. Capper comes from Menominee, Wisconsin, but prior to that she was a member of the faculty at East. She likes sport clothes, with sweaters and low heeled shoes her favorite apparel.

Miss Alta Wyatt, teacher of nursing and hygiene at Lincoln, is another part time faculty member. Miss Wyatt is small and slender and gracious. Gas rationing is a real wartime sacrifice to her, because she took so much pleasure in driving.

Of Lincoln's teaching staff, five members did not return in September.

Mr. Russell Ruff, former coach at Lincoln who was commissioned a lieutenant (j.g.) left for the navy, October 15, to receive training in Tucson, Ariz.

Miss Virginia Dewey, former social science instructor, is now doing map research work for the government in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Charles Baskerville, aeronautics and math teacher, left Lincoln to become an insurance salesman in Iowa City.

Miss Vida Cox is on the full time nursing staff at Bird, Grant, Kirkwood, and Monroe schools. She taught hygiene in the afternoons to 9th grade girls at Lincoln.

Mr. Cecil B. Snyder who taught commercial classes at Lincoln, is now superintendent of schools at Aspen, Colo.





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### 1. Library Staff

Left to right: Brebner, Harmon, Rogers, Anderson, Falkenhainer, Wetherton.

Center: Mote, Gray.

### 2. Office Staff

First Row, left to right: Anderson, Barquist, L. Bloomquist, D. Bloomquist, Thomas.

Second Row: G. Arnold, V. Hall, Hedberg, Brown.

Third Row: Hallabough, Botkin, Hull, Plemone.

Fourth Row: Loffredo, Heathcote, Mr. Hutchens, Mr. Meffert.

### 3. Nurse's Staff

Clockwise, left to right: Horton, Henderson, Broad, Miss Dunkelberg, Mitchell, Smith, Anderson, Rump, Clark, Boggs, Morris.

### 4. Junior Student Council

First Row, left to right: Mills, Zandell, Hildenbrand, Branco, Kissell, Ellis, Armaroli.

Second Row: Boggs, Trissel, Leonard, Ellis, Gardinier, Pitney, Woodward, Terry, Riggs, Knudson, Mitchell.

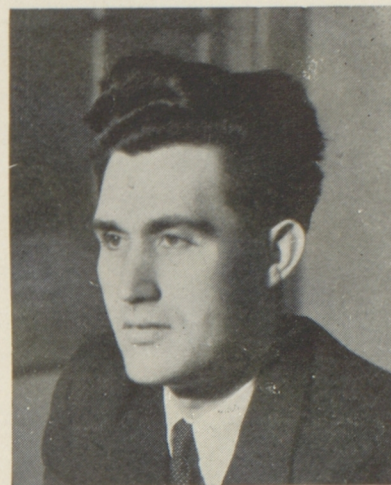
Third Row: Porter, Thomas, Schamp, Mrs. Robbins, Mickesh, Tarr, Gray, Figg, Fazio.

Fourth Row: Logan, Hall, Walker, Burgett, Chadwick, Calhoun, Trent, Burns, Matson, Henderson, Genovese.

MR. AARON C. HUTCHENS  
*Principal*

MR. ROLLAND MEFFERT  
*Vice-Principal*

MRS. VIDA HALL  
*Girls' Adviser*



## Lincoln High Faculty, 1943-1944

First Row, left to right: McFarland, Talarico, Grabau, Lewis, Scanlan, Roberts, Plemone, Meffert, Hutchens, Amlie, Osher.

Second Row: Heaps, Scholfield, McEniry, Sharratt, Wyatt, Selby, Mapel, Robbins, Hamilton, Hall.

Third Row: Barton, N. Sherwood, Arnold, Dunkelberg, Ebers, Smith, Payne, Capper, Hurd, C. Harris, Sutter.

Fourth Row: Graaff, Gerhart, Morgenthaler, G. Harris, Sanders, Sorem, Tomlinson, Fox, Johnson, Holmes, Davison, Farley, Nieweg.







# Lincoln's 7-B Recruits

## Reveille For Students

Imagine beginning your school day at 7:40 a.m.! That's the way the day began for 53 Lincolniters this semester.

Offered the first time at Lincoln, the pre-first classes included history 8 taught by Mr. Howard T. Cox and English 5 with Miss Geraldine Scholfield as the instructor.

The classes, tagged "pre-first" from the beginning by students and faculty, enabled pupils to complete four subjects by 12:15, thus leaving their afternoons free for employment.

The history 8 class, open to twelfth graders only, had a total enrollment (when everyone made it, which very seldom happened) of 33, while Miss Scholfield reported 20 attending English 5.

Trend of study in the pre-first classes was the same as that given in the regular classes throughout the day.

Post and pre-school gym classes were also held.



### 1. Band

First Row, left to right: Clockwise, Reilly, Bruebaker, Mount, Bianco, Lucas, Irwin, Little, Foes, Pieart.

Second Row, left to right: Clockwise, Holgate, Groves, Switzer, Brown, Bird, Devalt, Procoppio, Ferrall, Kay, Rielly, Brown, Rielly.

Third Row, left side: Spragg, Redman, Todd, Bagg, Roff.

Third Row, right side: Genovese, Abild, Hardy.

Fourth Row, left to right: Peterson, McMurray, DeMay, Close, Hawbaker, Lapham, B. Jacobs, Cunningham, Hanifen, Logan, Fillman, Leo, Warren, Ruston, McAfee, Hanifen, Ruston, Fosdick, Butler, Moncell, Line-weaver.

Drum Majorettes, left to right: Lois Moore, Pat Graham.

### 2. Orchestra

First Row, left to right: Lophin, Hawbaker, Noe, Knudsen, Mettilla, Brown, Kay.

Second Row: Erwin, Switzer, Branco, Butter, Furrow, Sheldon, McFee, Groves.

Third Row: Boyd, Brubaker, Rielly, Pieart, Spragg.

### 3. Mr. Wm. Jacobs

Music Instructor.

### 4. Dance Band

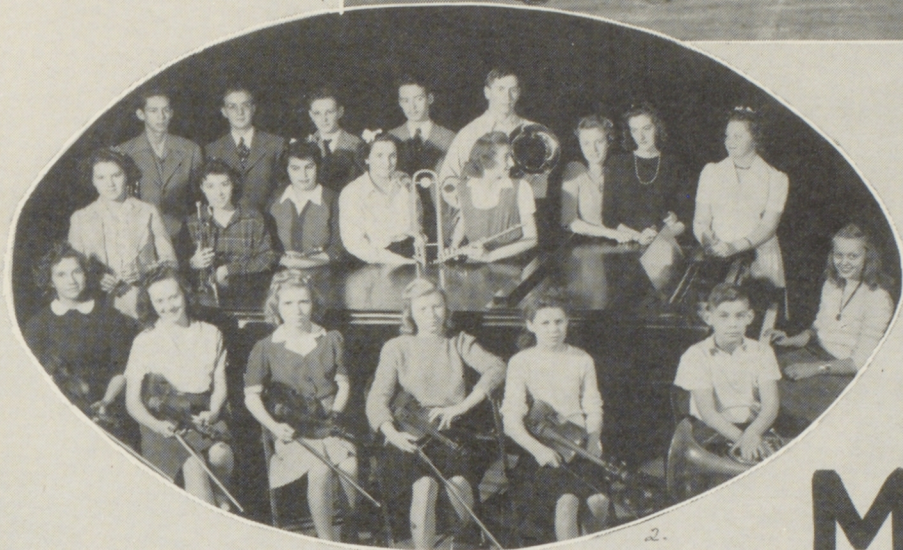
First Row, left to right: Ruston, Orange, Easton, Murphy.

Second Row: Pieart, Close, Milt-sheao, Kay, Hawbaker, Lopic.

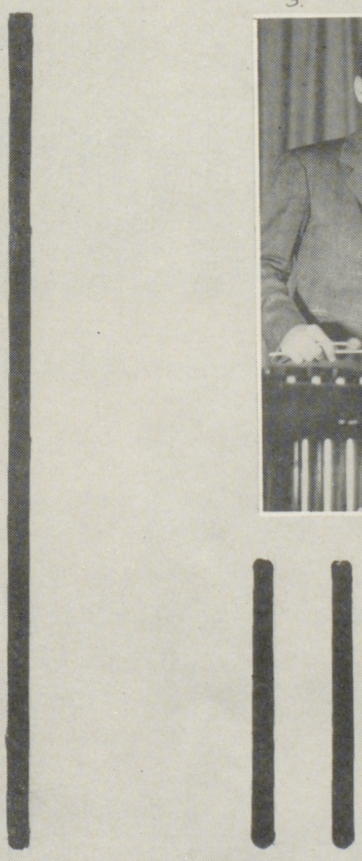
Third Row: Lineweaver, Fosdick, Hanfin.

Majorettes: Whyland, Wallace, Stevens, Van Ginkle, Henderson, Todd. Fourth Row: Bruebaker, Reilly, Mound, Jacobs, Leo, Cunningham, MacFee, Groves, DeValt, Petit, Pearson.





# MUSIC

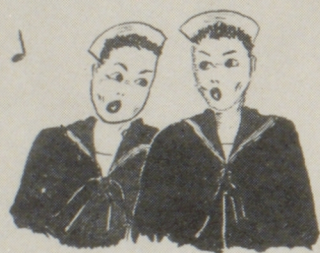






# VOCAL MUSIC

Junior Boys'  
Glee Club



Senior Chorus



Senior Girls'  
Glee Club



### Junior Boys' Glee Club

First Row, left to right: Ellis, Burgess, Link, Hemphill.

Second Row, left to right: Burns, Cherry, Woods, Christenson.

Third Row, left to right: Meggison, Mapel, Cronin, Housman.

Fourth Row, left to right: Eaton, Flaherty, Hoffman.

Fifth Row, left to right: Travis, Stahl, Maxwell.

Sixth Row, left to right: Russo, Mead, Carmen.

### Senior Mixed Chorus

First Row, left to right: Pearson, Stahl, Reyes, Russo, DeMay, Bell, Sevemmeson, Knotts, Moore.

Second Row: Rivera, Tarr, Frost, Kastler, Mapel, Reynolds, Broad, Chicilli, Russell.

Third Row: Boggs, Benton, Reece, Crane, Paterna, Waveland, Newton, DeLeon.

Fourth Row: Kierulff, Caponigro, Spragg, Conn, Hainer, Croft, Eshelman, Seals.

### Senior Girls' Glee Club

First Row, left to right: Radcliffe, Riveria, Russo, Reynolds, DeMay, Knotts, Moore.

Second Row: Mapel, Boggs, Benton, Bell, Swenumson, Coulson, Cooper, Paterna, Chicilla.

Third Row: Frost, Broad, Sheperd, Crane, Kastler, Russell, Neff.

Fourth Row: Pearson, Stahl, Mecoy, Morise, Anderson, Newton, DeLeon, Eshelman.



### Junior Girls' Glee Club

First Row, left to right: Eginoire, Bruce, Mickesh, Bohner, Gering.

Second Row, left to right: Dennis, Terry, Hines, Higdon, Clayton, Haines, Mooney, Foust.

Third Row, left to right: Noe, Morris, Mitchell, Folsom, Gracey, Bates, Smith.

Fourth Row, left to right: Boyd, Pierce, Pieart, Gillaspy, Allee, Bloomquist, Bohner, Myers.

Fifth Row, left to right: Boyd, Foreman, Wright, Fraizer, Sherman, King, Bingaman, Howard, Jennings.

## Music ....

to praise our truest nationhood,  
to express God's goodness.

### Junior Mixed Chorus

First Row, left to right: Chiodo, Clark, Ruston, Wycoff, Millstead, Short, Mapel.

Second Row, left to right: Walsh, Hedberg, Hurd, Warrick, Doan, Waddell, Brooks, Redman, Moncell, Wyland.

Third Row, left to right: C. Tarr, Hildebrand, Calhoun, B. Tarr, Matson, Wallace, Stevens, Schoff, Nigro.

Fourth Row, left to right: Corpisino, Genevose, Aranow, Holgate, Keeley, Mancuso, York, Tate.

Fifth Row, left to right: Hawk, Harper, Phillips, Hague, Merkel, Ackelson, Stifel, Pierce.







## Emancipation for the Slaves!

1. The gang in their gruesome get-up garb. 2. "Cork" and "Liz" showing how it's done. 3. Lillah Moore's "tootsies." 4. Jack at the cute age and his canine pal. 5. "Aud" clinging, but . . . gee . . . it's only her brother. 6. J. Ballentine poses for Jim.

7. Rooters at the Osceola game . . . Griggs spotted the cameraman. 8. Dick, Bob, Frank, and Rudy in the good old days. 9. Rudy with his arms full . . . Carm and Jackie. 10. Believe it or not, he's in his locker.

11. "Coupling up." 12. Hey, Jimmy, you're cheating! 13. June with that flashy grin. 14. Jimmy's "pride and joy." 15. Jimmy as his Momma's "pride and joy."

16. Jim Cross—today—our "pride and joy." 17. Jake's trombone tooters. 18. Farmerettes. 19. Margaret Johnson relaxing. 20. Beth's "best foot forward" at the age of ten.

21. Using the picnic table for a friendly game of African dominoes. 22. The gals—at their worst. 23. Stanley swings out. 24. Vivian—glamour a la femme. 25. Jean and Dar—Sweet! 26. Mary Lou—a rambling wreck. 27. June—all dressed up to strut. 28. Audrey—sweet and innocent. 29. Beth, Chloris, Audrey and Dorris on a windy day. 30. Eunice posing. 31. Carmen poses also. 32. Jean, Dar, and Jackie—leg art—whose whol 33. Jean F.—when she was graceful. 34. Mouse—Humphrey Bogart style. 35. Jimmy and Don—a couple of band boys. 36. Chin-up, pin-up gals!





## Wielding Founding Fathers' Wisdom



### Senior Student Council

First Row: Mazzi, Thomas, Brown, Hess, Ratcliffe, Greenfield, Fisher, Spring.  
 Second Row: Moore, Stefani, Rump, Randall, Garner, Darnes, Kabrick, Mr. Hutchens, Paterna.  
 Third Row: Likes, Mount, Rose, Botkin, Anderson, Van Ginkel, Shaffer, Lewis.  
 Fourth Row: Pettengill, Fillman, Nielsen, Scheckler, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Abbott, Canfield, Gustafson.



# Opportunity

TO SERVE  
TO PLAY  
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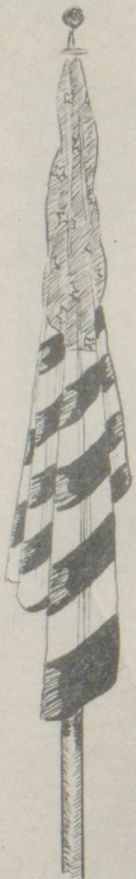
Service Home  
Room



Tumbling Club



Monitors





# Stuff and Such

## ... About the Past Semester

You'll Never Know . . . even Sinatra didn't . . . but his swoonhearts were as numberless as the hairs on your head

But Lincolnites knew . . . a thing or two . . . and elected George Ratcliffe president of senior student council

The football squad chose as co-captains, Gene Coy and Gordon Kastler . . . both managed to get a white sweater . . . to wear a letter upon

War bonds shrank . . . not in value . . . not in meaning . . . but in size . . . half as large as previous ones . . . paper shortage, due (no doubt) to "Paper Doll" which everybody sang about, so must have bought

### Service Homeroom

First Row, left to right: Williams, Pritchard.  
Second Row: Den Boer, Sears, Anderson, Seals, Rank.

Third Row: Evans, Bohner, Simpson, Dickey, Stebbins, McKinnon.

Fourth Row: Tomlinson, Clayton, MacRae, Hemphill.

Fifth Row: Dennis, Nielson, Magnasson, Herker.

Sixth Row: Featherstone, Hamlin, Sheckler, Eshelman.

### Girls' Tumbling Club

First Row, left to right: Bruce, Eginore, Murphy, Lacy.

Second Row, left to right: Green, Cutler, Mickesh, Picniery, Layman.

Third Row, left to right: Capps, Hunt, Tavenner, Veach, Abrahamson, McMurray, Neilson.

Fourth Row, left to right: Smitch, Gray, Rielly, Todd, Seriol, Hemming.

### Monitors

First Row, left to right: Snodgrass, Glew, Reyes, Helton, Moore, Branco, Cooper, Scribner.

Second Row: Travis, Seid, Schuling, Leopold, Pettit, Darnes, Van Ginkel, Sloane.

Third Row: Newberg, Botkin, Ballentine, Scholf, Robbins, Sarasio.

Fourth Row: Burgett, Keeley, Henderson, Stahl, Ponzeline, Kierulff, Warren, Clift, Latta.

Fifth Row: Brown, Jones, Benskin, Simon, Hemming, Ostrem, Croft, Stevenson.

Pat Harmon and Jackie Clark took over responsibilities as co-editors of the regular Railsplitter . . . Doris Bloomquist elected staff-master of yearbook

Girls copied soldiers' duffle bags . . . miniatures used for pocketbooks . . . and trash catchers

P.P.M. (Pistol Packin' Mama) hit record high . . . senior girls' theme song

Lincoln's homecoming celebration now annual . . . now four years old . . . observed this year on Oct. 22

Four new teachers bowed into Lincoln . . . they were: Mrs. Nell Smith, Mrs. Marie Capper, Miss Alta Wyatt, Coach Nelson Sorem

Five "old" teachers bowed out of Lincoln . . . they were: Miss Virginia Dewey, Mr. Charles Baskerville, Mr. Cecil Snyder, Miss Vida Cox, Coach Russell Ruff

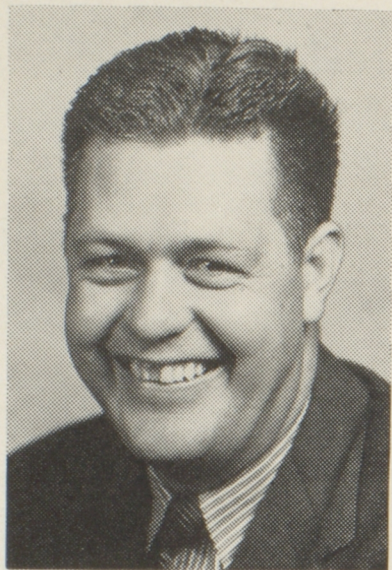
Everything got pinned up . . . boys . . . girls . . . most anything (or body) became a pin-up . . . until the pins gave out

Sammy and Susie got to stay out of school . . . didn't wear buttoned-up coats or boots . . . had flu . . . sometimes had it again





# Sports Summary—1943



COACH J. NELSON SOREM  
(Cut courtesy of Register and Tribune)

With the history of Lincoln's athletic ventures already tabulated, sons and daughters of South City recall the season as pleasant if not profitable.

In this anything-can-happen war era, Lincoln suffered a great depletion of experienced gridmen. Had not this condition prevailed, perhaps the ears of Southsiders would have resounded, as they did the previous year, to cheers for gridiron triumphs.

But such was not the case. None too strong in the beginning of the season, the first-string team was further weakened by injuries which seemed to plague them throughout the year. The rest is history.

Lincoln won only one game in eight, but the gridders succeeded against heavy odds to score in every game except one.

## THE RECORD

Lincoln 0—Indianola 6  
Lincoln 6—Valley 13  
Lincoln 12—Chariton 6  
Lincoln 6—Roosevelt 25  
Lincoln 7—North 33  
Lincoln 21—Winterset 25  
Lincoln 6—East 39  
Lincoln 14—Albia 19

this season. Hoping to develop a this season. Hoying to develop a rugged defense for future contests, Lynx gridders expect to make 1944 a pay-off year.



COACH HAROLD C. JOHNSON

## "B" SQUAD RECORD

Roosevelt 35—Lincoln 7  
East 6—Lincoln 0  
North 14—Lincoln 0  
Roosevelt 6—Lincoln 6  
East 18—Lincoln 0  
North 2—Lincoln 0

NORTH CITY  
CHAMPS!

## The Basketball Backboard

Basketball and its outlook? For Lincoln cagers and their boosters, it seems like a happy, happy, Happy New Year!

Thus far, in the mid-season sport, Lynx luck has been good. The forecast for the future is bright.

Coach J. Nelson Sorem has a fine system. It has brought results. His teams have been undefeated in both first and second string competition. Mr. Francis Talarico is the "B" team mentor, and the guiding light of the freshman cagers. His success with both has been great.

Lincoln's basketeers are on the ball! The scores keep rolling up. And to keep that score on the upward bounce, every Lincolnite must get behind that team to help it go!

## Sportsmen

### First Team Football

Kneeling, left to right: Hanifen, Herker, Stevenson, Griggs, Mickesh, Winegardner, Allsup, Cross, Comiskey, Uhlman, Rich, Phillips, Yakish, Stady.

Back Row: Asst. Coach Talarico, Conn, Brown, Hemming, Ostrem, Miller, Dickey, Simon, Benskin, Clemmons, Kastler, Hull, Masimore, Sopher, Coy, King, Coach Sorem.

### "B" Squad Football

Kneeling, left to right: Clayton, Maldonado, Dingman, Burke, York, Thronson, Costanzo, Haney.

Second Row: Kummerfeldt, Monteneze, Rummans, Hollingsworth, Rank, Evans, Moon, Collner.

Third Row: Williams, Mancuso, Hayner, Croft, Bowers, Coach Johnson.

Fourth Row: Horton, Cook, Jeffries, Harper.

### Swimming Team

First Row, left to right: McKinnon, Strietler, Spring, Bronco, Bernard, Romstadt.

Second Row: Coach Graaff, Filliman, Hemming, Wimer, Pritchard, Wilson, Burgess, Ponzeline.

Third Row: Severn, Van Dyke, Cross, Nielson, Sheckler, Den Boer, Smith.





COACH SOREM



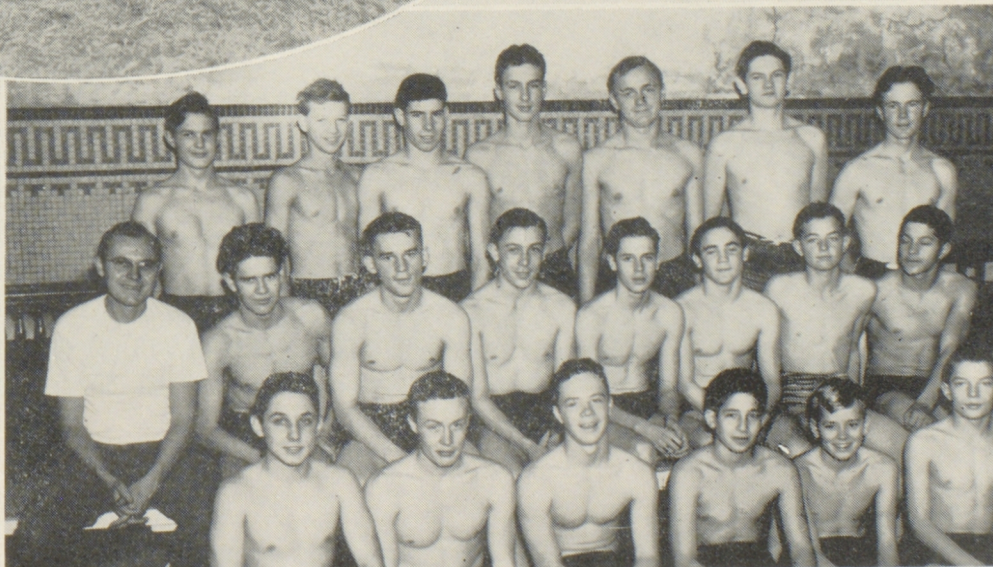
1<sup>ST</sup> TEAM

# SPORTS



2<sup>ND</sup> TEAM

SWIMMING TEAM







## *These Things are Lincoln*

A SPACIOUS, RAMBLING building . . . a  
 sedate bust of Abraham Lincoln gazing toward  
 the East . . . a sacred, inlaid monogram upon which  
 no mortal ever treads . . . the thrill of homecom-  
 ing . . . THESE THINGS MEAN LINCOLN. Expanses of emerald lawn  
 in early spring . . . caps of winter snow at the flag pole's  
 base . . . the quietness of the library at 4 p.m. . . long  
 corridors in a short school day . . . eternal chatter  
 of Saturday nights coming or gone . . . THESE THINGS MEAN  
 LINCOLN. Discussions in class of post-war problems . . .  
 discussions out of class on Frank Sinatra . . . the candy  
 cage with kids and candy bars . . . corridors jammed  
 with Senior Rail autograph seekers . . . THESE ARE LINCOLN.  
 Suffering Hamlet with Hamlet . . . recalling the world  
 that used to be . . . hoping for graduation . . . reluctant  
 to have it come . . . sad to leave all these  
 THINGS WHICH ARE LINCOLN.



# Journalism..

freedom  
to  
speak



## Journalism 1

First Row, left to right: Falkenhainer, Glew, Fraizer, Grate, Viola.  
Second Row: Gray, Shaffer, Parmenter, Romeo, Miss McFarland.  
Third Row: Botkin, Brown, Hedberg, Newberg, Sciachitano.  
Fourth Row: Shaffer, Rose, Ballentine, Severino, Hess.  
Fifth Row: Masimore, Kastler, Hanifen, Loffredo, Park.

Dead-sure! Dead-run! Deadline!

Such words, ye dithering journalist knows full well.  
And the greatest of these is DEADLINE!

Not to meet a deadline is a good way "How To Lose Miss Mac's Respect and Win a Five On Your Report Card."

It's also a good way to lose the love and best wishes of your fellow journalists who soon learn that slackers in a news room or loafers on a story are "dead-beats"

and therefore outside the circle of journalistic vernacular and brotherly affection.

With a small class of only 12 this semester, journalism 2 students found that everybody's business was really everybody's business! Co-editors Pat Harmon and Jackie Clark, both pre-first class students who left at noon, supervised the regular Railsplitter.

The Greenhorn edition of the paper, issued as a Christmas number, Dec. 10, was edited by journalism 1 students with Santana Romeo serving as editor-in-chief.

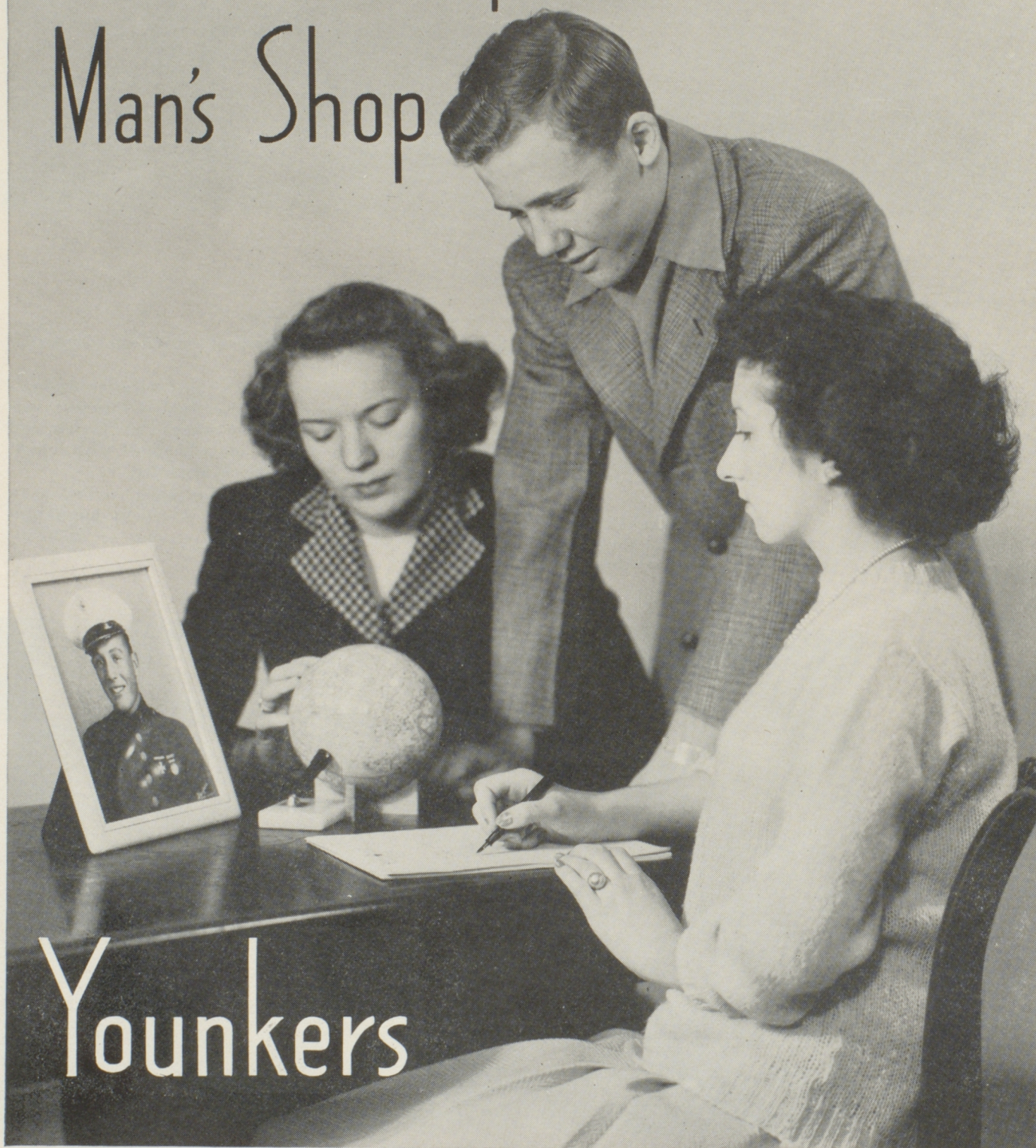


## Journalism 2

Clockwise, left to right:  
Cross, Gemmill, Berard,  
Cherry, Stanley, Anderson,  
Bloomquist, Tate, Clark, Har-  
mon, Miss McFarland, Silcott,  
Comiskey.



# Hi-Teen Shop Man's Shop



# Younkers



# Summing Up The Semester

## Another Year, Another Queen

Being crowned homecoming queen — the secret wish of every Lincoln girl—was a dream come true for Velma (Sis) Knouf, the school's choice for queen of the 1943 football season.

After Coach J. Nelson Sorem crowned the queen with a garland of roses, she was enthroned upon the stage to reign over festivities which marked Lincoln's celebration of its fourth annual homecoming.

Attending the queen were Mary Viola, Harriete Hedberg, Vivian Wilson, and Barbara Greenfield.

The entire court wore white formals and carried arm bouquets tied with loops of gold satin ribbon.

In presenting a program for the approval of the queen, her court, and the entire assemblage, The Talenteers under the direction of Mr. Wm. Jacobs entertained with a musical variety show.

A movie, "Navy Blues," furnished further entertainment, and dancing was held in the boys' gym.

Velma Knouf was the fourth queen ever to be crowned at Lincoln. Other girls reigning over former festivities were: Jeannette Grange, Ruth Johnson, and Mary Ellen Thomas.

## Favorite of the Parties

We'll never forget the get-to-gether; it was swell.

With hill billie ruling the day, all the seniors let their hair down, (or put it up in braids) painted eye-brow pencil freckles on their noses, smoked incense in their pipes, and had the time of their 12A lives.

After eating chili till it ran out their ears, they started an indoor treasure hunt which called for the most open field running they had done since second grade.

After being maneuvered to the girls' gym, they played inside baseball and dodge ball, accompanied by enough screaming to raise the roof.

But the fun came to a quiet, solemn end with students appearing on the morrow as dignified members of the senior class, but the memory of the fun they had still lived as a pleasant spirit in their hearts.



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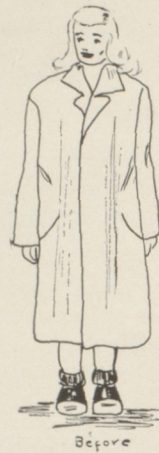
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## Summing Up . . .

### For Style-rightness



Another success for Lincoln. A clothing clinic, new this year to the Des Moines school system, was held successfully here.

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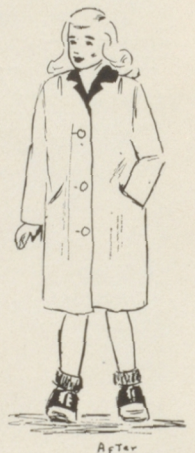
Help was given in finishing necklines, making plackets, binding buttonholes, reblocking hats, and stitching on lapel collars.

Patrons were given fittings, were aided in the cutting out of garments, and were shown how to alter a pattern to meet individual needs.

Beautifully styled dresses, hats, purses, gloves, and almost everything necessary to complete lady's wardrobe were on display.

Exhibits, which gave pointers on clothing care, included suggestions for the removal of lipstick and ink stains, washing of woolen materials with emphasis on the care of sweaters, patching and darning.

The clinic was under the supervision of Miss Helen McCleery, city director of home economics.



### Behind the Pantomime

The lights were dimmed and the crowd was silenced as the curtain slowly parted to the gentle and soothing strains of Glenn Miller's Sunrise Serenade, in a senior assembly, October 15. Behind this velvet wall, six boys were seen among instruments and orchestra fronts, smoothly portraying the style and method of the famous Miller band.

With Gordon Kastler, doing the drumming, Bob Comiskey, with a hot trumpet, Dick Masimore, saxophonist deluxe, Richard Reyes, sliding a trombone, Bob Hemming manning the piano, and Jim Cross acting as director, they proceeded to imitate several of the big name bands and stars of the country, using records as their means of music.

The boys had studied the records to the extent that they could move their lips on the vocals and



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appear to be doing the singing, while the others moved their instruments in life-like fashion to produce an effect which surprised many into thinking that the fellows really possessed the talents to sing and play.

As the program proceeded, the actors introduced Cab Calloway. The Four Ink Spots, Johnny Mercer, and many other famous personalities who contributed to the show, making it an hour of hilarious entertainment.

The idea of the entire show was conceived and forwarded by Richard Reyes, who left for the Marines just four days after seeing his thoughts and ideas brought to life.

Richard was both proud and happy to have the student body and faculty accept so graciously the effort that the fellows had expended in making the show a success.

### It's News, But Good!

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